

# NAST

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# PRESS AND RADIO REPS COME ABOARD



L. "Sky" Dunlap, (c) Maitland, (r) Ordeman; Anita Jackson; (l) Wykoff (r) Starrett

On 27 August, the Station and Squadron played host to a party of Portland press and radio representatives who came aboard in response to an invitation issued by Capt. T. M. Whelan during Navy Air's celebration of its thirty-second anniversary.

"Sky" Dunlap and Jules Maitland of the Portland Division of the United Press, Les Ordeman, Oregon Journal photographer & writer, Lynn Wykoff and Frank Starrett of the Oregonian, and Miss Anita Jackson of Radio Station KWJJ, made up the party.

Lt. Wallace Babcock and Lt. (jg) Constance Bordwell accompanied the group on a tour of the Station.

Present at a luncheon for the newsmen at the Officer's Club was Capt. T. M. Whelan, Comdr. D. R. MacDonald, Comdr. F. N. Klein, Jr., Squadron Commanding Officer and Lt. Comdr. V. J. Jennings.

Highlight of the day for the visitors was a blimp ride arranged by the Squadron Commanding Officer and Lt. Comdr. H. B. Hosmer, Squadron Operations Officer.

Photographic coverage during the day was handled by A. E. Witherow, PhM1c.

## BUY "SAVINGS BONDS" NOW

IF YOU WANT TO HELP KEEP A TIGHT CHECK REIN ON INFLATION, DON'T CANCEL THOSE BOND ALLOTMENTS. THEY NOT ONLY INSURE YOUR OWN FINANCIAL SECURITY, THEY MEAN THE NATION'S ECONOMIC WELFARE.

According to the Office of Coordinator for War Bonds of the Navy Department, "Early postwar plans have been established by the Secretaries of the Treasury and Navy relative to the continuation of the Savings Bond Program. These policies call for the perpetuation of a continued savings program for individuals by the purchase of Savings Bonds via Payroll Savings and Military allotment plans on a retrenched peace time basis. Such a policy will be carried out with all industry and governmental agencies."

## WELCOME ABOARD

NAST welcomed the following Station personnel aboard:

Loren F. Bell, CMoMM(AA); Sylvester E. Block, RM3c; Louis Cuba, Jr., S1c; Raymond S. Dade, MMG3c; Gerald W. Fogle, S1c; Helen R. Hayes, Sp(X)2c; Junior Overholser, F1c(MoMM); John W. Reinke, SKV-1c; Garnis F. Roop, S1c; Fred J. Chepelenko, S1c(Sp(T)); Dave Gilder, StM2c; Mary Griffith, S1c(Sp(Y)); Rosemary LaPaze, S1c(Sp(Y)); Dorsey L. Smith, F1c(MoMM); Donald P. Roosa, RM2c; Carl B. Burnett, S1c; Iver Interjord, CBM(PA), glad to have you back, Chief; Milton Willis, Cox; Manuel Gomez, AerM2c; Richard Stewart, AM2c.

## McNaughton Gets Double Duty

Temporarily replacing Lt. R. S. Wattles as Station Welfare & Recreation Officer and Lt. Eugene Metcalf as Station Personnel Officer is Lt. (jg) Joseph McNaughton, who had been assigned to the Gunnery Training Building.

## The Road Back

Heading the long line of officers and men who will soon be civilians again are Lt. R. S. Wattles, Station Recreation & Welfare Officer, Lt. Eugene Metcalf, Station Personnel Officer, and Lt. (jg) Donald Morris, Station Operations Watch Officer.

## Cover Pix

NAST's lensman, A. E. Witherow, shot the cover as a presage of things to come. As we go to press, an ALNAV states: "Naval personnel attached to stations within continental limits of United States and to ships in waters thereof are authorized to wear civilian clothes outside of working hours, while on shore leave or otherwise in off duty status. WATCH FOR THAT STATION MEMO."

# DEMobilization DETAILS TOLD BY NAVY

By Ships' Editorial Association

More details concerning the Navy demobilization plan as presented in ALNAV 196-45 have been announced by the Navy. They are:

The discharge rate and point totals of naval personnel will be coordinated with the decommissioning and reductions of ship and shore stations.

Enlisted personnel qualified for release will be ordered by their CO to the separation center nearest home. Men overseas after detachment will be transferred through strategically located staging areas where they will be given a predemobilization processing including bag inspections, medical examination, removal of government property and unauthorized souvenirs.

After being formed into drafts separatees will be directed to receiving stations nearest their final destination. A 10-30 day wait for onward transportation may be anticipated by personnel at the staging areas.

Within 48 hours after debarkation in the states, these drafts will be routed on to receiving stations nearest their home Separation Centers.

Staging areas are planned at six strategic points in the forward areas.

Officer personnel will be released on a similar system, differing only in detail. The Navy plans to demobilize 1,500,000 to 2,500,000 men within the next 12-18 months subject to military commitments.

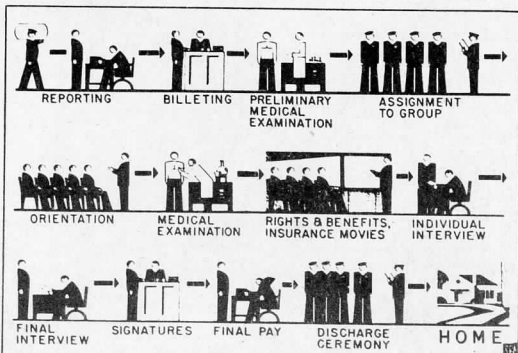
COs may order separatees to Separation Centers other than those nearest home when such a change is requested on the basis of hardship, that is when dependents are near the port of entry, when a definite offer of employment is made at a place other than home, and when an official change of permanent residence is effected.

## CIG RATION LIFTED

As of 20 August, cigarette rationing was lifted. According to Cudworth, S1c, the sailor who hands them out behind Ship's Service counter, cigarette business has been increased slightly.

Don't worry, though, Mac, because there are cigarettes for everyone now. You can buy them by the carton.

## PROCESSING AT DISTRIBUTION CENTERS



Mrs. Morris; Seaman McDermott;  
Lt. (jg) Morris

## STATION MEN HONORED

On 18 August, Lt. (jg) Donald Morris, Station pilot and Operations Watch Officer, was awarded the highly coveted Navy Cross as authorized in a citation signed by Vice Admiral M. A. Mitscher, "for distinguishing himself by extra ordinary heroism in operations against the enemy as pilot of a carrier based torpedo aircraft on 24 Oct. 1944, during the Second Battle of the Philippine Sea. He pressed home his attack at low altitude in face of intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, without regard for personal safety, and scored a direct torpedo hit on an enemy battleship. His courage, coolness and skill were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

The presentation ceremonies were held in the offices of Captain T. M. Whelan, Station officers attending. After the reading of the citation, Mrs. Morris pinned the cross on her husband's blouse.

Lt. Morris, a student at the University of Washington at the time of his enlistment in February 1942, claims Hoquiam, Wn., as his legal residence. He has been aboard the station since February 1945.

### McDermott Also Honored

Also honored during these ceremonies was Joseph J. McDermott, S1c, who received a commendation from Admiral W. F. Halsey, "for outstanding service in the line of his profession while serving as gun captain of a heavy machine gun mount on an aircraft carrier in the Western Pacific."

McDermott is assigned to the Firehouse.



# CHAPLAINS . . . . . CHANGE



**Lt. Richard Bryan**



**Lt. Ray Sanders**

On Sunday 19 August, Lt. Richard Bryan conducted a service of prayer and thanksgiving for the great victory now ours. It was the last service the youthful chaplain conducted at the Station Chapel before reporting to Com12 for further assignment.

Winsome, tolerant, with a wealth of understanding at his command, Chaplain Bryan has been an abiding force for good during his 17 months of duty at NAS, Tillamook. There is not a man or woman on the station whom he has not reached in some way, however small. His sphere of influence extended to the community of Tillamook, where he was known as a vital speaker and a gracious guest.

His relief, Lt. Ray Sanders, reported aboard about the middle of August from the First Marine Aircraft Wing, Group12, which had been active in the Pacific.

A native Californian, he joined the Chaplains' Corps in April, 1943, and was indoctrinated at Williamsburg, Virginia.

October, 1943, found him overseas with Marine Aviation. His 21 months in the South Pacific with men who faced death daily have deepened and seasoned the knowledge gained through years of civilian religious counseling. He comes to NAS, Tillamook, glad to be back from the war-weary Pacific, and eager to carry on the high traditions set by his predecessor.

His family, his wife and two children, are with him at GreenAcres.

## SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED

The trustees of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, are offering a full 4-year tuition scholarship to the son of an officer, warrant officer, petty officer, or noncommissioned officer on the active or retired list of the Navy or Marine Corps, the son of deceased personnel of the above categories, or to the son of an officer of the Naval Reserve on active duty. The student selected will be awarded free tuition amounting to \$1,800 for the full 4-year course and will enter the Institute with the November 1945 class.

Individuals on active duty are eligible to apply for this scholarship. If the individual selected is on active duty, he will be permitted to maintain an inactive-duty status in the naval service for the period of the scholarship, details of which will be made known to him when notified of his selection.

New Orleans (SEA).—The makers of the famous Higgins landing boat have announced their company is launching a \$25,000,000 civilian construction program.

Worcester, Mass. (Sea).—Thirty-year-old Mrs. John F. O'Gorman gave birth to her fourth set of twins.

**Lt. H. H. Jordan**



## Recognition Officer Checks Out

Lt. H. H. Jordan, Station Recognition Officer, has been ordered to ComFairWest-Coast for further transfer.

Mr. Jordan came aboard NAS, Tillamook, in April of this year and claims that every good thing he had heard of Tillamook Naval Air Station is true. He enjoyed duty here very much.

"Smooth sailing" to you, Lt.

Butterfly—A worm who won his wings.

Y2c: You say Helen is like a street car?

Y1c: Yeah, she goes right to town.

## NAVY MEN BECOME CITIZENS

On Monday 13 August, six enlisted men from the Naval Air Station took the oath of citizenship at the Tillamook County Court House from Judge Harlan Wood. On hand to witness the ceremony were Chaplain Richard Bryan and Ensign Vernon Merrill of the station.

The new citizens are Frank Toombs, S1c, Hedron; Antonino Fucinari, S1c, Station; Lucas Uliva Voloria, Ck3c; Telesforo Guittang Batara, Ck1c; Roman Llanes Salvador, St2c; and Hilario Tacderan Simisim, St3c; of Officers' Mess.

After administering the oath, the Judge commended the men on the service they were rendering their adopted land, and assured them that citizenship was a just reward for their part in total victory.

## DISPENSARY DOINGS . . .

### Nurses Report

Reporting for duty on 21 July, was Lt. (jg) Lummie G. Coker from NAS, Astoria. Miss Coker claims "sunny" Pasadena, California, as "home town".

On 13 August three nurses reported from NAS, Pasco, Washington. They are Ensign Ruth E. Hartley, an Oregonian from Yoncolla; Lt. (jg) Helen Simmons, from Washington, D. C., and Lt. (jg) Louise Bareford from Denton, Md.

They all agree that Tillamook is damp but like it regardless. (See pix below.)

### Detached

Lt. (jg) Gladys Russell, USNR, (NC), and Lt. (jg) Agnes Hendrickson, USNR, (NC), were recently detached and ordered to Great Lakes, NTS, for duty.

Returning from leaves are William Cross, PhM2c, who spent his time in California; Lucille Small, HA1c, who went to Arkansas, and Gordon Loucks, PhM1c, who just had a good rest in Tillamook.

Dischargee: "Will this suit hold its shape?"

Salesman: "Absolutely. Its 100 per cent virgin wool."

Dischargee: "I don't care about the morals of sheep—will this suit hold its shape?"

Lt. (jg)'s Bareford, Simmons, Coker & Ens. Hartley; center: Comdr. W. E. Allen



Mrs. Lelia Doty & Staff

## CIVILIAN OF THE WEEK

Our votes for "Civilian of the Week" have been cast for Mrs. Lelia Doty, Principal clerk of Central Office.

Starting to work at NAS, Tillamook, in December of 1942, as clerk typist, Mrs. Doty well remembers the thick mud and excess rainfall that the station endured while under construction.—In her own emphatic words, "It was terrible!"

A "jack of all trades," this well-known personality has taught school, was deputy county clerk, owned a confectionery, and just before she came to NAS, was a housewife.

She was born and raised in Tillamook and her parents were one of the earliest settlers here, blazing the trail about 60 years ago. She remembers picking wild strawberries within sight of the Naval Air Station as a child.

She spends her evenings at home with her family. She has the "nicest husband in the world" and a boy of 18. Gardening is her recreation—especially flower gardening, as anyone who passes the large white house with the beautiful yard between the station and Tillamook can see.

Mrs. Doty describes her office force as the "best anyone ever had."

## Navy Cancels 6 Billion in War Contracts

Washington (SEA).—In a move to cut-back its tremendous wartime building and supply program, the Navy cancelled six billion dollars in contracts. Included in the cancellation were contracts for 12,500 aircraft, covering all wartime procurement requirements and involving a total of \$4,180,000,000, and contracts for ships, propulsion machinery, aircraft, ammunition, bombs, mines and torpedoes.

## STORK STUFF . . .

Just two visitors reported into the Dispensary's Family Ward during this three-week interval.

On 9 August Radioman and Mrs. W. L. Allard were parents of a girl. Allard was formerly attached to Squadron here.

On 17 August Machinist Mate and Mrs. J. W. Jacobs were presented with a boy. Jacobs is a Hedron man.



Lt. Comdr. Jennings, Squadron Exec. congratulates P. F. Small

### First "Civie"

P. F. Small, AR1c, V-6, USNR, was the first Squadron man to be discharged to inactive duty. Lucky guy!

### ERNIE PYLE MEMORIAL

When a chance shot by a Jap sniper killed Ernie Pyle last April on Ie Shima, tiny island in the Pacific near Okinawa, his friends and neighbors felt that some sort of memorial should be erected in his home town, Dana, Indiana.

But what began as a local tribute to home-town boy grew by leaps and bounds until it was apparent that citizens over the entire nation and thousands of men and women in the armed services desired to have a part in a national tribute to this world famous war correspondent.

A Nation Wide Drive For The Ernie Pyle Memorial Was Launched On 22 August. Since there is no way of estimating the amount of money that will be subscribed for the memorial, it is impossible at this time to draw up definite plans for the finished project. One plan calls for an endowed chair in government administration at some university.

Other proposed details of the program include removal of Ernie Pyle's body from Ie Shima to a park near Dana, Indiana, and a memorial library of interest to every American citizen.

The nation-wide drive is being conducted by the Richard Condon publicity organization of New York City, with headquarters in the Terre Haute City Hall.

### No Monkeyshines

"No monkeyshines in the Code Room" is the motto of these WAVE Communication Watch Officers who have been aboard for over 16 months for the express purpose, they say, to see no, hear no, and tell no secrets.

They must be particularly busy these days decoding discharge dispatches; or are they? We won't know until we get ours.

## Thoughts . . .

By Chaplain Sanders

The editor of the *Saturday Review of Literature* points out that in all recorded history man has known but 300 years of peace. But in spite of 'ell and 'igh water man is not yet extinct.

We live in dangerous days, with atomic bombs. But though the world is jittery, we can be steady. Man has exalted change in everything but himself: Maybe he will now change his own behavior and wars shall cease. Maybe the great achievements in nationalism will yield to greater achievements in world community.

Will Rogers once said, "Americans are not worrying about the League of Nations. What they want is a place to park their cars." He knew us pretty well. We are so apt to pray "that Providence will forever remain under the protection of the American flag."

Personally I dare to believe that with strong American cooperation the world is about to make long strides toward building a cooperative commonwealth of all mankind. Upon the death of President Roosevelt, our greatest world citizen, the nation showed such reverence that one writer exclaimed, "The heart of America has been revealed, and it is sound."

The world still is full of folly and danger, but there are many among us who believe that at the heart of the universe, God is on the side of all that is good. Many of us believe that we live and move and have our being in God, and that no created thing, (atomic bombs included) has power against us. The world suffers, but "each cry bleeds His paternal heart." Almighty God is at the helm.

Let us not be blinded either by victory in arms—for we have yet to defeat war itself, or by new danger. When the world is jittery, when others stampede for discharges and jobs, strong men are still calm and steady.

Protestants, Catholics, Jews; citizens of the Atomic Age: let us worship as we will and stand united in a new but everlasting cause, the reign of God in all the earth.

Lt. (jg)'s Wick Johnson & Breber







Comdr. F. N. Klein, Jr. SUNR

### **BuPers Hands Out Gold Braid**

BuPers handed out a lot of handsome gold braid early in August just before the war's end to Station and Squadron Officers.

It was three wide stripes, denoting full Commander for Comdr. W. E. Allen, (see page 5 for pix) senior Medical Officer; Comdr. F. N. Klein, Jr., Commanding Officer of Blimpron 33; Comdr. D. R. MacDonald, Station Executive Officer.

New two-and-a-half stripes are Lt. Comdr. H. B. Hosmer, Squadron Operations Officer, and Lt. Comdr. D. A. Pickler, Station Helium Officer, on temporary detached duty.

### **BLIMPRON 33 AIDS IN VITAL FISH PRODUCTION**

In conjunction with the Washington State Dept. of Fisheries, the Airship Squadron based at NAS, Tillamook, under the command of Comdr. F. N. Klein, Jr., had provided an observation and reporting service for northwest fishermen, which, according to their own testimony, not only materially increased production during the 1945 fishing season, but also safeguarded fishermen's lives.

During July and August, Navy blimps spotted schools of fish, which resulted in a tonnage figure of 1200 tons of Pilchards received at Gray's Harbor, Wn.

With the armed forces having commandeered many small boats for the war effort, the remaining 85-foot purse seiners now in service have found it difficult to patrol the vast fishing fields that parallel the coast. Before the Navy loaned its "eyes" to the fishing fleets, seiners spent days in



Comdr. D. R. MacDonald, USNR

fruitless search for fish, which might be lurking only a mile or two out of visual range. In many cases, fishermen became discouraged and tied up along the dock while vital fish production lagged.

When patrolling blimps began radioing locations of schools to fishboat captains and aiding them in plotting their courses for them, hauls rose from 30 to 200 tons per run.

Among organizations expressing their appreciation for a job well done are the Fishermen's Co-operative Ass'n, Fishing Vessel Owners' Ass'n, Pacific Coast Purse Seiners' Ass'n, James Farrell & Co., Dungeness Crab Inc. and CIO's International Fishermen, all of Seattle. Others thanking the Squadron's Commanding Officer for the assistance rendered the 1945 Tuna fishing fleet are Bay City Fishing, Inc., of Grey's Harbor, Wn., Fishermen's Co-op Ass'n of West Point, Wn., The Chinook Packing Co. of Co. of Chinook, Wn., The Paragon Packing Co. of Astoria, Oregon, and the San Francisco Sardine Ass'n as well as individual fishing boat captains.

In the words of the Fishermen's News published at Aberdeen, Wn: "It is seldom that such a program between government and industry can be worked as successfully as this one."

While food is still a vital factor in winning the peace, Blimpron 33 can be justifiably proud of its contribution to the success of the 1945 fishing season in northwest waters.



## CIVILIAN NOTES

Marjorie Johnson of Central Office resigned the 22nd of August and was married to Henry Wetzel of Tillamook. She has been an employee of Central Office for the past sixteen months.

They are spending their honeymoon in Washington, visiting many places of interest.

We hate to lose our Mississippi girl from Central Office, but when duty called her husband, we knew we couldn't keep her. Good luck, Edward and Mildred Forrest.

Evelyn McGillivray is the new girl in Central Office. She's a Tillamook girl, and her husband is in the Army overseas.

The following employees have during September been aboard two years: Arthur B. McWilliam, Jewell J. Johnson, Clarence B. Vantress, Rythal W. Weeds, Loys F. Van Norden, William C. Nelson, Vincent W. Ryzner, Rowland M. Lupher and Lawrence Hightower.

Birthday Greetings have recently been extended to: Dorothy A. Browning, Alouyse J. Droessler, George L. Ellis, Dorothy G. Pierce, Lester A. Smith, Norma A. Nelson, Hiram L. Brown, Genevieve L. Babbitt, Ruth K. Elliott, Clifford S. Smith, Gertrude R. Wright, Lloyd H. Wilson, Clyde H. Ellis, Jewell J. Johnson, Cecil W. Albritton, Edward L. Cornett, William L. Dickson and Edith L. Wells.

New employees of Supply include Donald E. Wilson and LaVerna M. Marchant.

Welcome aboard again Bert Taylor, a Civil Service employee in Public Works Department, who is an ex-Coxswain of NAST!

LaVelle P. McNaughton, wife of Lt. (jg) Joseph McNaughton, Assistant Welfare & Recreation Officer, is the new employee in Disbursing.

Dorothy G. Pierce, wife of Lt. (jg) Harley Pierce, Squadron, has replaced Leota Hightower in the Labor Board. Leota will become a fair Coed at the University of Oregon this fall.

Suggestion boxes for civilian personnel have been placed in the Ad. Bldg., Garage, Supply and Pub. Wks. Come on, fellow workers, drop in a suggestion or two and win a cash award.

Holiday trips are planned by most civilians of NAST over Saturday, Sunday and Monday since Saturdays are no longer work days and Monday is Labor Day.

Portland, Ore. (SEA). An excited woman called a newspaper here to ask if gasoline rationing was really over. When she was told it was she said: "Thank goodness. I got so awfully tired of stealing it."

The star of the movie "Janie" is our idea of something nice to come home to.

### Waves Rate Medals

According to a recent directive from BuPers, enlisted WAVES who have completed three years of continuous active service will be eligible for good conduct medals.

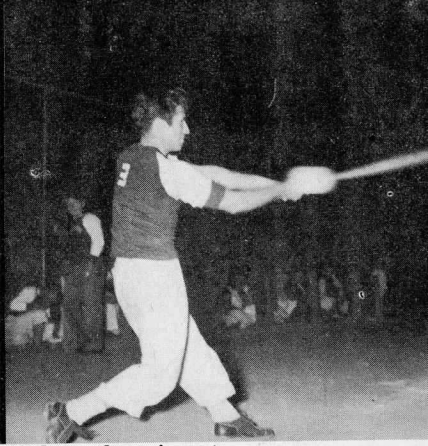
Good conduct medals are not available at this time but will be issued by the Bureau beginning, approximately, not later than six months after the war and upon individual application to the Bureau.

The Chief's girl is so shy she goes into another room to change her mind.





Hedron well-wishers dine before defeat.



Hedron slugs is out.

## HEDRON HIGHLIGHTS . . .

According to records, Hedron has around 26 men eligible for discharge under the point system. Looks like this may be a pretty peaceable place to live in, in a couple of months.

However, there are several with crossed fingers who don't have enough points, and regular Navy hoping the blimps will stand up a few more months.

Under the supervision of Ens. Ben Reemelin, there has been a recreation period set aside every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon beginning at 1500. Eight teams are made up into a league of softball and volleyball. The Mechs beat the Riggers 16 to 14 in softball. (A pitcher's duel).

Anyone wanting to know anything on discharges, transfers, insurance, or nomenclature of a sling-shot, call the Ordnance Shop. They have all the dope.

—Punchy

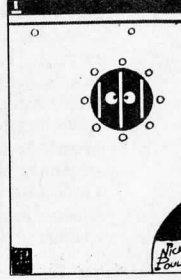
## TRANSFERRED

Smooth sailing to the following station personnel:

John J. Lewardowski, F1c; Donna L. DeBelle, Y2c(T); Vearl C. Edwards, SKV2c; Weldon H. Hager, RM3c(T); Charles J. Moscarino, AOM2c; Elvis H. Saylor, CSp(A)(T); Karl M. Schillinger, OAM1c; Trent M. Walker, SKD1c; Mele Adamovich, SP(Y)3c(T); James W. Christensen, SP(W)-2c(T); Henry C. Daugherty, S1c; Donald L. Diliberto, S1c; Laure Guerra, EM3c (T); Carl C. Hayes, Sp(Y)3c; Eleazar J. Munoz, S1c; Doyle C. White, S1c; S1c Rodney D. Thompson, AerM3c; Robert A. Winston, AerM1c; Joseph C. Thornwall, RM2c.

## STALEMATE

By Nick Pouletsos Sp(X)1c



## Hedron Loses Championship

On V-J Day Hedron's ball club, which had made a name for itself in the Tillamook Valley, trekked to Portland for the Oregon State playoff.

Construction workers of the E. J. Bartell Company dimmed Hedron's dream of glory when they downed the shiphandlers with a score of 11 to 0.

Skinner pitched all through the game with 13 strike-outs and 2 hits for Hedron.

A large liberty party of officers and enlisted personnel from Station and Hedron were on deck with crying towels for the defeated but undaunted team.

## SPORTSCOPE . . .

### New Specialist(A) Reports

Meet the new Specialist (A) who relieved Chief Saylor of his duties in the Welfare and Recreation Department. His name is Bill Pearson, Sp(A)3c. He reported for duty on 24 August from Seattle, 13ND Hdqtrs.

Anyone desiring to play basketball, see Specialist (A) Pearson in the Recreation Building. Let's turn out, fellows, and make it good!

## KEGLER'S CORNER . . .

### Weekly High Scores

Officers—Lt. (jg) Lorenz	222
Enl. Men—Roadhouse	218
Women—Wakefield (WAVE)	165

### All Time High

Officers—W. O. Hammond	269
Enl. Men—Gilson & Childers	279
Women—Mrs. Bursey	236

## Kiss and C



Lt. (jg) Johnson flanked by leading ASMU chiefs

### THIRTY YEARS SERVICE

Lt. (jg) J. W. Johnson, USN, in charge of ASMU on the station, recently chalked up 30 years service with the U. S. Navy.

"It's like anything else," philosophies this genial mustang. "You finally establish a record if you keep at it long enough."

Tillamook duty is a case of "local boy comes home" for Mr. Johnson. He enlisted in the Navy at Portland, Oregon, in 1915. In February of 1916, he was aboard the old battleship "Oregon." In June 1918, he was aboard the old USS Albany running convoys and patrols in the Atlantic. He made 18 complete convoy trips.

In 1920 he entered aviation and has been in this field ever since. He was aboard the USS Langley, the first flat top.

He was on active duty during World War I, and was re-called from an inactive status to serve in World War II. He reported to NAS, San Diego.

Congratulations from NAST, Lieutenant, for many years of fine service!

### LABOR DAY LIBERTY

Navy personnel had their second taste of peace-time liberty within the month when Labor Day liberty went into effect on 30 August with a 36-hour "break" for all station personnel.

Starboarders hit the beach from 1630 Thursday until 0800 Saturday. The Port section stayed aboard until 1300 Saturday, when they shoved off until 0800 the following Tuesday.

### Civilians Have 40-Hour Week

According to Wilhelmina G. Harvey, Recorder, Labor Board, the Secretary of the Navy's decree of a 40-hour work week for the Civil Service civilians has come at an advantageous time. It gives Civil Service employees, who have been devoting most of their time to work, more time for recreation, and at the same time should ultimately make jobs available to returning war veterans.

## PLAN SWITCH OF NR BRAID TO UNITED STATES NAVY

By Ships' Editorial Association

The Navy has announced plans for the transfer of reserve officers to the ranks of the regular Navy, but explained legislative approval will be necessary before plans can be put into operation.

Present indications are that the Navy will need up to 30,000 additional regular officers and the Marine Corps 5,000.

Under Secretary of the Navy Artemus L. Gates, who outlined the terms of the proposed plan, said reserves of the rank of Ensign and above who transfer will be given a course of instruction giving them an opportunity for assignment and promotion on equal terms with officers now holding permanent commissions.

Applicants must be young enough to give 25 years active service from 7 Sept. 1939 or from active duty date, whichever is later. Medical officers must be of an age to give 20 years active service.

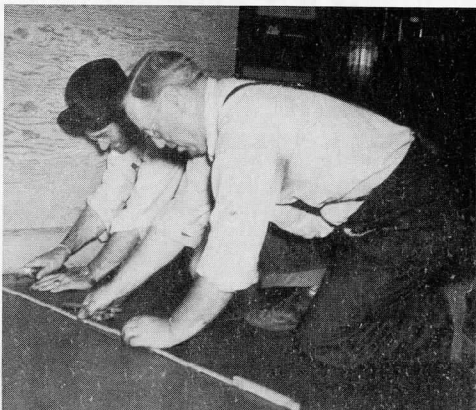
Ensigns and above of the Line and Supply Corps must have four semesters of college, or pass an examination showing equivalent educational qualifications. Applicants must meet physical standards in the BuMed Manual.

Initial appointment to the regular Navy will be in the same temporary rank and same precedence now held. With the termination of temporary ranks, those transferred and those now in the regular Navy will be affected equally and without discrimination.

### Jap Balloon Bombs Flopped As War Weapons

Seattle, (CNS)—Landing from Alaska to Mexico, 230 Jap balloon bombs struck in the Western Hemisphere. Only one caused casualties, when six people examining it in Oregon were killed. Several alighted near the atomic bomb plant at Hanford, Wash., one knocking down a power line and briefly halting work there. Another landed as far East as Michigan. A huge number must have dropped into the Pacific. As a war weapon, the balloons, which carried four incendiaries and one frag bomb, were a flop.

### Public Works carpenters lay new deck in Photo lab.



While you're waiting for that discharge, drop in at the station library for a look at these new books.

Toward a Better World, Jan Christian Smuts  
My Animal Babies, Belle J. Benchley  
A Lion is in the Streets, Adria L. Langley  
Airman's Almanac, Francis Walton-Editor  
The Upstart, Edison Marshall  
Proof of the Pudding, Phoebe A. Taylor  
The Murderer is a Fox, Ellery Queen  
The Best is Yet, Morris L. Ernst  
Esquire's First Sports Reader

Herb Graffis—Editor

Footloose Fiddler,

Harry Miller and Page Cooper

### "Hello, Joe!" Comes and Goes

For the woeful duty section left aboard 1 September, USO Camp Show's "Hello Joe" did its best to put sparkle into a dull week-end.

Dean & Brown, acrobats; laughsters Brown & Lavelle, Smith, Rogers & Eddy, appropriately labelled "international nit-wits," Lucille Angel, charming soloist, and pianist Joyce Wellington got a reasonable share of laughs and handclaps.

### VETERANS ASSIGNED TOP JOB PRIORITY

Washington (SEA).—Veterans will get top priority in all job referrals handled by Government employment bureaus, the Veterans' Placement Service Board has announced. United States Employment Service is charged with providing maximum employment for veterans. Wherever possible qualified ex-servicemen will be assigned USES as veterans' job counsellors.

Disabled vets will be given special preferential service toward jobs for which they are qualified. When vets are available and jobs are not, the employment service will develop an opening in the work for which they are best fitted.

The Veterans Placement Service Board, as established under the "G. I. Bill of Rights," includes heads of Selective Service, War Manpower, and Veterans' Administration.

### Minesweepers Have Big Job

Washington (SEA).—The war is over, but to the men of the Navy's minesweep units it doesn't mean much. Their task now is to clear the seas around Japan of all mines so U. S. ships can bring in supplies to occupation troops without danger, the Navy Department has announced. Thousands of Jap mines and numbers of U. S. mines dropped by B-29s in the blockade of the enemy, fill the Japanese waters.

One broom said to the other, "Couldn't we have a little whisk broom?" The other replied, blushing, "Why we haven't even swept together yet."

Chorus girls are not as dumb as you may think: Who else could skin a wolf and get a mink?

"Girls, girls," sighed the sailor. "If only I could fall into their arms without falling into their hands."

Demure Young Thing: "Oh, what kind of an officer are you?"

Officer: "I'm a naval surgeon."

D. Y. T.: "Dear, dear, how you doctors do specialize."

Seabee Youngster: "Daddy, gimme a nickel to buy an ice cream cone?"

Seabee: "Shut up and drink your beer!"

"Are you and your wife on speaking terms now?"

"Well, I'm listening again."

A nurse in a hospital noticed a patient with his ear close to the wall. The patient held up a finger warning the nurse to be quiet, then called her over and said: "Listen here."

The nurse listened for some time and said: "I can't hear a thing."

"No," said the patient, "and it's been like that all day."

Papa Stork: "Well, guess I'll go out and deliver a few baby girls."

Mama Stork: "And I'll go out and deliver some baby boys."

Baby Stork: "Guess I'll just go out and scare hell out of some sailors."

A football was kicked accidentally into a yard where some chickens were scratching. The rooster studied the football carefully and then said: "Hens, I'm not complaining, but look at the work they are turning out next door!"

### The Wolf

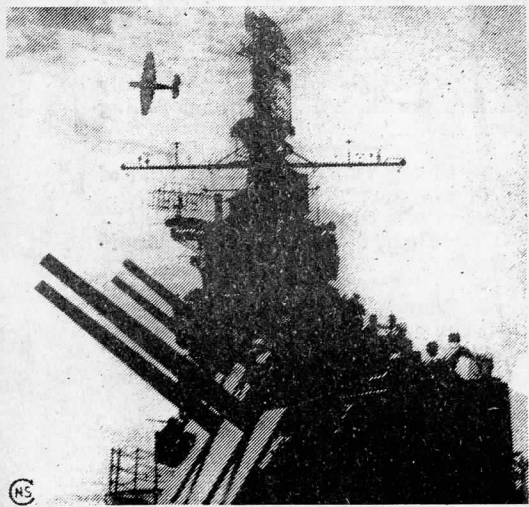
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# Radar Looks Like a Bedspring And It's Even More Useful



British Combine

Radar, silent weapon of the war, fought for the Allies on land, sea and air. This photo shows an Avenger plane and a flattop, both supplied by radar, communicating at sea. The ship's radar antennae is outlined against the sky. Fire of guns in foreground is aided by radar.

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## SecNav Says:

"The Shore Establishments of the Navy have completed a magnificent task. In a very real sense they have been part of the fighting Navy, and their contribution to the total Navy effort has been immeasurable. The faithful discharge of essential duties by the personnel of these stations and their zeal for the task resulted in meeting every demand of our operating forces. On behalf of the Navy and the nation, I extend to all employees sincere thanks and a deserved 'Well Done'."

## ComFairShipsPac Congratulates

The Commanding Officer of Blimpron 33 received the following congratulatory dispatch from ComFairShipsPac, NAS, Moffett Field late in the month of August:

"The continuous efforts of all ranks and ratings of Fleet Airships Pacific and all personnel of supporting stations in operation and maintenance of airships of this command from the inception thereof and throughout the war in fair weather and foul has provided services of high value to many Naval activities, particularly fleet units, as well as to other services and agencies. These efforts though unspectacular and largely unknown to the General Public have been a distinct contribution to the war effort. It is with pride and satisfaction that I congratulate you on your accomplishment. Well done."

## Goodyear Representatives

Mr. J. N. Bilssel, Goodyear representative, flew in from Moffett Field on 27 August to present to Station, Squadron and Hedron personnel, post-war developments in Commercial Airship design.

He also spoke to Portland press and radio representatives aboard for the day.

## HELEN HIGHWATER



"Good Thing You're a First Class Water Tender!"